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State of California Board of Equalization 450 N Street Sacramento, California 94279

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Attention: David Gau

Regarding: 21ST Floor Interior Hallway Carpet

Dear Mr. Gau:

During the 21st Floor remediation process, carpet flooring showing evidence of fungal growth throughout most of the floor was removed and replaced. Hygiene Technologies International, Inc. (HygieneTech) was informed during the remediation process that the hallway and elevator lobby carpet tile system was installed several years after the rolled style carpet that was observed in the office and cubicle areas had been installed. On January 14, 2010, HygieneTech observed LaCroix Davis, LLC (LCD), the industrial hygiene consulting firm working on behalf of the State of California Department of General Services (DGS), removing a representative number of carpet tiles in the hallway to observe the condition of the reverse side of the carpet and the concrete subfloor surfaces in those areas. At that time no evidence of water intrusion or fungal growth was observed on the tile or concrete subfloor by either HygieneTech or LCD (Photos 1 through 4). LCD also collected bulk samples from carpet mastic in those areas and those data, which were subsequently reviewed by HygieneTech, indicated no evidence of fungal growth or loose fungal spores. Based on these results and that no known water intrusion events had occurred in the hallway since the carpet was installed, HygieneTech concurs with DGS's plan to leave the hallway and elevator carpet in place.

Note that fungal growth potentials may change due to changes in environmental conditions (such as those caused by water intrusion), use of mechanical systems, or other factors. Also be advised that additional fungal growth may exist at one or more locations in the structure that were not specifically assessed during the survey. If you have any comments or questions regarding the information contained in this correspondence, please feel free to contact our offices directly at (310) 370-8370.

Sincerely,

HYGIENE TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Kenny K. Hsi, CIH Technical Director











